

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated April 24, 2009 and received in this application. In the amendment, claims 4 and 8 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1 and 5 have been amended to respectively rewrite claims 4 and 8 in independent form. Claims 2, 3, 6 and 7 have been amended to correct the numbering of the equations resulting from the amendment to the independent claims. These amendments add no new matter.

Information Disclosure Statements

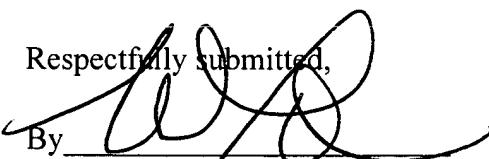
Acknowledgement of the various Information Disclosure Statements in the Action is appreciated. The Examiner is kindly requested to also formally acknowledge the Information Disclosure Statement that accompanied the filing of the application on August 16, 2006.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 4 and 8 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form and amended to provide the syntax for indicating the square root of (fw·ft) as “ $\sqrt{(fw \cdot ft)}$ ” as suggested by the Examiner. As these amendments have been made herein, all rejections of record are moot, and Applicant requests early and favorable action regarding all of the pending claims.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. SON-3469 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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